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## Shower in Honor Of Bride-Elect

ROCKYFORD. — Feting Miss Audrey Roppel, a bride-elect of Dec. 7, a shower was given by Mrs. Besse Tomte, and Mrs. Nell Macbeth in the Rockyford United Church, at which 64 guests were present. Mrs. J. A. Wise and Mrs. R. L. Stone presented the bride with many lovely gifts, and expressed good wishes on behalf of the community. Mrs. Bud Schultz of Stand entertained with musical selections.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Clarence Roppel and daughter Carol, North Dakota; Miss Marjorie Roppel, Calgary; Mrs. Gunner Tannas, Mrs. Alf Tannas, Mrs. Don Tannas, Miss Evelyn Tannas, all of High River; Mrs. Bill Kemmett, Calgary; Mrs. R. L. Stone, Edmonton; Mrs. J. A. Wise, Mrs. John Potenaude, Calgary; and Mrs. Vern Dresser, Carbon.

## Coyote Hunt Takes Place

ROCKYFORD. — The communities of Rockyford and Nightingale have combined their efforts and at their own expense are trying to extract wild game predators, such as coyotes, from the district.

Local hunts have been organized by Mr. A. J. Geeraert of Rockyford. The expeditions have proven successful with two coyotes killed one day and six on another. Plans are being made to have hunts of this type every Wednesday and Sunday afternoons as long as the weather permits.

Anyone who would like to take part in these coyote hunts should contact the Rockyford Hotel, Rockyford.

## In Memoriam

In loving memory of Alex Morrison, beloved husband of Lillian Morrison, who passed away on December 9, 1948, at Calgary.

"He went ahead of us a little way—and left the door ajar—looking after him we see the glory shining through the cleft."  
Always Remembered.

—Lillian Morrison.

## High School Highlights

By VIOLA MEIDINGER

BEISEKER. — The principal of the Beiseker schools, Mr. Plante, underwent a minor operation recently. We are all glad to see him back at school again. Mrs. N. Velker supervised the High School during his absence. Her help was highly appreciated by the students.

On Friday during the absence of Mr. Bunyan, Mrs. E. P. Hagel took charge of his classes in grades 7 and 8.

At a recent Student Union meeting, the students decided that they buy High School sweaters and crests.

The High School wishes to congratulate the Physical Training Class, and their instructor, Mr. Bunyan, for being awarded the Divisional Physical Training Shield. We hope to see their splendid work and displays carried on very soon.

HONG KONG. — The Chinese-American Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction has quit the mainland of China. Members of the mission have arrived here. Future operations will be confined to Formosa.

## TO START GOAT FARM IN CANADA



—Central Press Canadian  
Canada's goat population is increased by 30 with the arrival in Quebec city of pure-bred Nubians, bound for Vancouver Island. Mrs. May Stansby, shown here bottle feeding one of the kids, raised the herd in England, intends to start a goat-dairy farm in British Columbia.

## Wedding

GIMBEL-OLIVER

LEVEL LAND. — Of far-reaching interest was an evening ceremony solemnized by candlelight at Rosebud S.D.A. church, Sunday, Nov. 27 at 7:00 p.m., when Bette Fern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Oliver of Peace River, exchanged marriage vows with Courtney Allen Gimbel, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gimbel of Beiseker. An evergreen background with pink and white candles was the setting for the ceremony at which Rev. G. D. Hagstotz officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was gowned in a heavy ivory satin, the full skirt of which extended to form a medium train styled with lily point sleeves and V-neckline and plain finger-tip veil of appliqued net. Her only jewellery was a gold locket with pearl setting, gift of the groom. She carried a bouquet of American Beauty roses with white streamers.

Matron of honor, Naida Gimbel, sister of the groom, wore pink sheer and carried deep rose carnations. Miss Betty Scott, one of the bridesmaids, was frocked in mauve taffeta and carried pink carnations, and Mrs. Barbara Rodacre, sister of the bride, another bridesmaid, was frocked in apple-green brocade satin and mesh. Her bouquet was of pale yellow with pink-edged carnations.

Billy Oliver, Glaton Leiske and Calvin Rodacre were groomsmen and the guests were ushered by Milton Nickels and Melvin Kendopp.

For the occasion Mrs. Oliver chose a forest green crepe frock with black and beige accessories and a corsage of rose colored carnations. Mrs. Gimbel wore a royal blue dress with matching accessories. Her corsage was of deep pink carnations.

The wedding march was played by Hervey Gimbel, brother of the groom. After the bride's mother was ushered to her seat, a solo, "I'll Walk Beside You," was sung by Mrs. S. D. Leiske. While the bride and groom knelt at the altar Mrs. Sawers from C.U.C. College Heights, sang "O Perfect Love." "Because", another solo by Mrs. Chandler, was rendered while the registration was completed.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the Beiseker community hall. A short program of songs, readings and music was rendered. Dr. Hogstatz acting as master of ceremonies, after which a delicious lunch was served to about 350 guests in the basement of the hall. The bride and groom

## ROCKYFORD NEWS

ROCKYFORD. — Mrs. R. L. Stone of Edmonton was visiting friends in Rockyford during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Courty are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Sunday, Dec. 4.

Mr. Bill Ternes of Beiseker was visiting Rockyford, Sunday.

Mr. Ray Peters is driving a Baby Austin car these days.

Mr. S. B. Harding of Calgary has taken over the duties of Bert Niles as manager of the Rockyford Meat Market.

We are sorry to hear that La Rue Brown was sick last Sunday.

Messrs. Louis and Slam Roppel flew down to attend the Toronto Royal Fair and while there Mr. Louis Roppel visited friends and relatives.

We are sorry to hear that Dad Katterhagen is in the hospital.

Miss Frances Katterhagen is in Calgary training as a nurses' aid.

## Lions Are Never Quitters

BEISEKER. — Lions are never quitters. Lions are men who stand in the open and fight every time for their ideals, every time danger threatens the best interests of their communities or nations.

Difficult struggles, sure we will have them. But Lions have had them before, and they always left us stronger than ever.

Army leaders know that their best men are the ones who are always looking ahead, ready for whatever lies before them. The best army is the one which has learned by fighting to fight, sometimes being beaten but always ready to fight again. The best Lions Club is the one which has had to overcome obstacles.

Get into your harness, Lions, and work harder than ever. Take your beating when you have to—we all do—but keep coming back for more and you will win. You will keep your people on their toes, you will inject hope into the hopeless, strength and vigor into the falling, confidence into the doubting, and you will make everybody proud of your Lions Club.

Yes, and you will have reason to be proud of yourselves when the record is read.

received many useful gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Gimbel left for a short honeymoon after which they will take up residence east of Beiseker on a farm. To travel the bride donned a suit of medium blue and a corsage of white gardenia.

## BEISEKER NEWS

BEISEKER. — The "Bay Shopping Hostess," Dorothy Hudson, who in private life is Florence Thorp, was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ki Killen.

On Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. S. Silbernagel entertained at a large house party in their home.

Mr. Bill Rempel visited his mother and father at Claresholm on Sunday.

Miss Annie German is working at the Beiseker hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schmaltz and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long of Irricana spent the week-end at Edmonton.

Mr. Morris Beltin spent the week-end in Beiseker with his family.

Mr. Fred Campbell has been confined to bed for several days. Better hurry up out of there Fred. Santa might catch you.

The Ladies' Bridge Club met last week at the home of Mrs. Leo Schmaltz. Mrs. Brosteaux was the winner of the high score.

By the way what has Swallow got that Beiseker hasn't?

Among the local nimrods who attended the Gleichen turkey shoot on Sunday were E. Kroschel and Adam Velker. They didn't come home with the bacon but they did bring home a roast.

The children of both the Catholic and United Churches are busy preparing for their Christmas parties and concerts which will be held on Sunday, Dec. 18. The United Church are having theirs in their church at the morning Sunday School and the St. Mary's Parish concert will be held for the parishioners in the afternoon at the hall.

Tom Begerie of Swallow is drilling a new well for Mr. F. A. Lount.

Some of the band boys while in Calgary on Wednesday spent a few hours at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Leiske. They report that the Leiske's new home is really nice and very comfortable.

The Beiseker Gun Club are having another turkey shoot on Dec. 14, the prizes being dressed turkeys, hams and a 200 lb. hog.

Beiseker is now headquarters for government engineers who are surveying the east road to Drumheller.

Oil companies are also giving the district the once over on their leases.

Calgary Power have several men in the district on the electrification program to be in effect soon.

Much real estate has changed hands in the past few weeks, owing to the heavy winds.

## Beiseker Band Welcomes Stamps

BEISEKER. — Beiseker being the up and coming village it is, came up with a new one this week. Their band went into Calgary to be present at and assist in the roaring welcome given the Stampeder Football Club on their return from Toronto.

All the band, complete with bandmaster, banner carrier and majorettes turned out on short notice. The local citizens were generous with their cars, providing ample accommodation for all. This all goes to show that we may just be a dot on the map but they better circle it with red.

## Annual Meeting Of Local Red Cross

BEISEKER. — The annual meeting of the local Red Cross was held Thursday, Dec. 1 in the Memorial hall when officers were elected for the coming year.

President, Mrs. A. A. Wald; first vice-president, Mrs. Harvey Gibson; second vice-president, Mrs. Lou Brosteaux; third vice-president, Mr. Charlie Weisgerber; secretary-treasurer, Father Tennant.

Conveners of standing committees are: Blood donor clinic convenor is Mrs. Harvey Gibson; Junior Red Cross, Mr. John Leiske; National Campaign, Mr. Matt Schmaltz; Publicity, Mrs. M. A. Bettin; Disaster, Mr. Peter Schmaltz.

Reports for the past year showed a very successful year with \$517 being raised. Mobile Blood Donor Clinics were held last April and a canary was sent to Jimmy Schmaltz who is confined in the Junior Red Cross hospital.

Plans are to be made for the holding of a Mobile Blood Donor Clinic in the near future and it is hoped that this one will be as successful as all previous ones.

Fr. Tennant was appointed the official representative to the Divisional Council of the Red Cross division.

It was also decided to have any Junior Red Cross locals work in conjunction with the local Red Cross.

## LEVEL LAND NEWS

LEVEL LAND. — Hervey Gimbel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Gimbel, was a week-end visitor of Nov. 26. He is attending college at Walla Walla, Wash.

Mrs. Ben Huether motored to Lacombe over the week-end, Dec. 3rd, to visit her daughter, Joyce.

A phone call from John Leiske from Fargo, North Dakota, on Dec. 4, informed us he was on his return trip and would arrive home towards the end of the week. He said the roads were pretty icy and snowy in parts of his travel.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Suezle and family motored to Hanna over the week-end of Dec. 2. They were visiting Mrs. Suezle's parents and brothers and sisters.

## 1950 Ford Now On Display

BEISEKER. — The 1950 Model Ford was displayed for the first time at Beiseker Motors on Saturday, Dec. 3.

No radical changes have been made in the basic body lines of the model but exterior and interior trimming, and mechanical changes have been carried out.

New grille designs are featured in all the models and they all now have push button type door handles. Instrument panels have been redesigned on all models and interiors have been arranged to provide greater comfort. It also has increased head-room over the 1949 model.

Among the major changes in the 1950 Ford is a completely redesigned cam shaft, a three-bladed fan, designed to operate more quietly, while providing better cooling at slower speeds.

Some 200 people saw the car the first day on display and it will be on Beiseker Motor's floor for another week.



## White Whale Grunts Wake Sleeping "Bird"

(This is the third in a series on the Northland written especially for Community Publications.)

By JACK BIRD

Two whales had been made fast to a cable and were being hauled tail first up a steep wooden ramp to a wide door in the second storey of the factory.

"Come inside," invited the manager, "and watch the whole process of cutting up the whale."

"Every part of the creature is utilized," he explained as we climbed the stairs to the second floor and stood by the flensing platform. Here stood a man in rubber boots and apron, armed with a pitchfork-size handle that had a sharp half-moon-shaped blade at the end.

With this instrument he cut under the blubber and loosened it, while a rope that was hooked to the blubber near the shoulder, and

made fast to the drum of a winch, slowly peeled off the whole length of the whale.

It took two or three strips like this to completely denude the whale of all its blubber, which was cut up in chunks, while another man, armed with an iron hook, would throw the stuff down a manhole in the blood-slippery floor. The hole led to a big vat in which the blubber was rendered down to whale oil.

"But what do you do with the rest of the creature?" I wanted to know.

"We grind it up, as you'll see in a minute, and it becomes food for the fox and mink farms. 'Moby Dick' fox and mink food we call it."

The chocolate colored liver, I noticed, did not go through the grinders, but was put whole in separate cartons. This, I was told, was the fur farm food for the mother during the breeding season.

When we left the factory, Old Jim and I returned to the beach, and I pointed out to him the place where I had, three years before, made my first camp on the shores of the Churchill river.

I told him about being awakened early the first morning by a series of deep-throated sighs and grunts, and had sat up in my sleeping bag to look out over the river at 12 or 15 white whales disporting themselves.

Because they must come to the surface to breathe they were the author of the sounds that had awakened me. All you see is a rounded chunk of white head two or three feet long bob up and then go down and reappear somewhere else, with sometimes spray flying.

There are two Churchill rivers. The Little Churchill flows into the big Churchill, and the big flows into Hudson Bay. That makes the big Churchill, at its estuary, a tidal river. They have 12- to 14-foot tides there.

At Cape Merry, where the river and the ocean meet, the river is about a mile wide, while in front of the elevator it appears to be some two miles in width, and when the tide goes out it is possible, a mile and a half from the mouth, to walk out nearly a quarter of a mile toward the centre of the river on a bottom of clean hard and boulders, although half a mile or so farther south, the sand, as I found to me cost, is only a thin coating on a soft mud bottom.

But it is when the tide is out that the Indians set their fishing gear in a manner that is simplicity itself. They lay the net flat on the river floor with one end made fast to a rope to the shore. When the tide comes in it lifts the net by means of the wooden floats along its stop edge. Then when the tide goes out again the net automatically lays on the river bed and the owner collects his catch.

Old Jim and I walked down to the big modern dock that is in front of, and part of, the elevator. The schooner Fort Severn, and the Regina Polaris of Quebec were tied up.

We sat there on the stringer piece, and in the cool of the evening enjoyed the long, lingering sunset while we talked about some of the things we had seen and learned, and places we had visited in the north country.

I told Jim about my first visit to Churchill, which was in 1946, when ships from Britain were there loading grain that had been stored in the elevator since before the war. Two of the ships, I remembered, were the Essex Trader and the Hillcrest Park. The black-hulled Hudson Bay boat Nascopie had also been there, tied up to the south end of the wharf.

The following year, while I was up in Alaska, the Nascopie had gone down. She was a staunch little ship, launched in 1912, and had done her bit in two wars. In the First World War she had sunk a German submarine in the White Sea, and now, two years ago, after 35 years of faithful service, she, too, had gone down.

### N.Z. Tobacco

The New Zealand Tobacco Board has been negotiating with the Government for the diversion of the Motueka River in order to bring a further one thousand acres of land under cultivation for tobacco. It is estimated the project would cost about £100 thousand—£75 thousand to be paid by the Government and £25 thousand by the Tobacco Board.

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## English Nobility Easy Persons To Interview

By JAY LLOYD

Members of the English nobility were among the easiest persons to interview, particularly if they were above the rank of viscount, or came from an old established noble line.

I recall one duke conversing learnedly about world affairs while he threw clothes into a suitcase in about as feeble an attempt at neat packing as I am capable of in my most hurried moments. Another who asked me if I were going downstairs after I had finished the interview, and requested permission to accompany me. Indeed, they are a democratic crowd.

A number of them invited me to visit them if I ever came to England. I've often wondered what my reception would have been had I done so.

I have also often wondered what happened to many of them during the war, as well as such persons as Lieut.-Gen. Mitchell, who shocked a United Services Institute with his opinion that generals were just as expendable as the common soldier, and his low opinion of army practice generally.

Then there was the Dutch cabinet minister who told me it was impossible for Holland to be invaded the day before invasion occurred. When the news was broken to him just as he was boarding a train, he fainted and had to be carried back to the hotel.

What is happening to those many prominent Japanese these days? Particularly the Tokagawa family, the real rulers of Japan for centuries, and who were so friendly to Canada?

What has happened to the German and Italian consuls, both of whom I saw after we were officially enemies, and both of whom discussed impassionately the probable outcome of the war?

This could go on endlessly. But on thinking back, I wonder if Sir Gerald Campbell still remembers his embarrassment when Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh visited him and he didn't know whether he was supposed to look disapproving in his official position as British high commissioner or greet them as friends, until Olivier revealed they were on their honeymoon?

Then there was the movie starlet who regularly wrote me from Hollywood, even for a time after she got married. I really thought it was friendship until the husband wrote thanking me, charmingly, for all the publicity I had given her. The correspondence ended abruptly.

Churchill was the second British prime minister who said goodbye to me by mistake when he was leaving Ottawa because I was talking to a Canadian cabinet minister at the time. Stanley

Baldwin did the same thing. Neither would remember—but I do.

Has Happy Chandler forgotten that he promised to make me an honorary Kentucky colonel. Oh, well, I might as well be unusual.

When I met the governor of North Carolina I could not even mention the famous story about the governor of South Carolina, as it was not only during prohibition days in the U.S.A. but he was a rabid temperance advocate.

During the depression nearly everyone wanted to air their own particular economic theories. About the only persons as a class who didn't have some particular efficacious theory to contribute to human betterment were the economists.

If Sir Maynard Keynes (later Lord Keynes), Lord MacMillan, Sir Arthur Salter, etc., made any startling pronouncements in favor of economic panaceas I can't recall them. Lord Darling, I remember, was enthusiastic about remonetization of silver, but he may be excused on the grounds that he was a banker.

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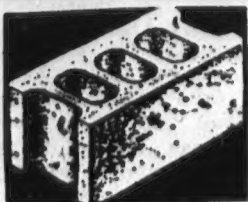
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## TENTH PROVINCE PROVIDES ARMY UNIT



—Central Press Canadian

Three army units have been established in Newfoundland, authorities have announced. The 166th (Newfoundland) Field Artillery Regiment, which fought with the 1st British Army in North Africa and later with the 8th British Army in Italy is one of the units to join Canada's reserve forces. In this photo a gun crew of the regiment is shown in action in Italy where they fought alongside members of the 1st and 5th Canadian divisions.

## TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS

By RUTH WHALEY  
District Home Economist

Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without toys for the kiddies. Still, every year, there are hundreds of dollars spent on toys which the children use for only a week or two before they are broken.

Buying making toys throughout the year, instead of during the Christmas rush, makes it easier to make a wise choice. Look for well-made toys which really work and will stand hard usage. Experiment with the toys yourself. Do they work easily? Do pegs fit in holes? Get washable things with no sharp points, poisonous paint nor buttons that pull off.

It is not always the most expensive toys that children enjoy the most. Bright scraps of firmly woven print make jolly stuffed toys. Starch and iron the ma-

terial for a crisp, perky calico cat or pup.

A doll's cradle to delight your young daughter can be created from a grape basket. Mount the basket on rockers, paint it a bright color, sew in a padded lining and your little girl will spend many happy hours rocking her doll to sleep.

What child doesn't love to play with blocks and plywood animals? Make them yourself, sand them smooth, then paint them in gay colors.

Cheap "toy" tools, such as hammers, scissors and garden tools are likely to be badly balanced, dull and easily broken. It may be better to buy a small size of well-made adult tools which work, and then teach the child how to use them properly.

Every young artist wants a box of crayons. Remember large crayons are easier for young children to handle. Crayons with too much wax produce a weak color, and soften quickly in a child's warm hands. Try painting the paper casing with a coat of shellac to stiffen them. This helps to prevent them from breaking. Keep cold cream jars on hand in which the young painter can mix his paints easily.

If your six-year-old is just learning to catch, get him a ball about six inches in diameter with a rough surface. It will be easiest for him with which to practice.

Choose toys carefully. You will enjoy them as much as the child.

## U.K. Calf Subsidy

It is reported officially that the calf rearing subsidy will be extended in the United Kingdom to cover calves born up to September, 1951. The subsidy will be at the rate of £5 a head for males and £2 for females born after October 1, 1949 and before October 1, 1950. The calves must be certified as suitable for beef production or as dairy replacements. will be announced later.

The rates for subsidy thereafter will be announced later.

Cattle that are allowed to become thoroughly infested with lice will develop a dry starey coat, loss of hair resulting in exposed patches of skin and a general unthrifty appearance. Such a condition brings lowered milk production, retarded growth and costly maintenance. Early detection of lice and prompt treatment with sprays, dips or powders will prevent any ill effects to infested animals.

## Importance Of Winter Lubrication

C. A. Cheshire, Extension Agricultural Engineer, Alberta Department of Agriculture, reminds us that the first requirement of engine lubrication in winter is oil light enough to flow at very low temperatures.

At the same time, the oil must have sufficient body, even at the high temperature found in a warm engine, to prevent it "breaking down." If the oil is too heavy it will not be forced through the channels during the warm-up period, and the engine, starving for lubrication, will wear readily. If the oil has not sufficient body at the higher temperatures, the oil film will not hold bearing surfaces apart, and again rapid wear will result.

Another problem of winter lubrication is the of sludge formation. This results from moisture condensation in the oil and is generally caused by "blow-by" during warm-up—a condition brought about by the breaking of the oil seal between the cylinder and piston, allowing a portion of the exhaust gases to enter the crank case. This sludge, under extreme conditions, may make up a large portion of the oil in the crank case, and hamper lubrication. It will be most noticeable in a motor that is started often, and run for only a short time at each starting. Under these conditions, it is wise to drain the crank case every two weeks, regardless of mileage. It is not necessary to throw this oil away—just let it settle, and syphon off the clear portion to be used again.

A point worth remembering is that the cylinder oil should always be drained when the engine is warm—otherwise all the sludge will not be removed.

Top lubrication assists during the winter warm-up periods. A pint of light oil is added to every 5 gallons of gasoline, and mixed well. This does not hinder starting but it does reduce wear.

Never idle a cold engine. If you do, both wear and sludge formation will be increased. Cover the radiator and close hood louvers to reduce the warm-up time. Replace the oil filter cartridge at each oil drain, and clean crank case breather inlet and outlet periodically.

## Taking Care Of House Plants

Most people know that plants should not be crowded into pots too small for them, but neither should small plants be placed in too large pots. P. D. McCalla, Supervisor of Horticulture, Alberta Department of Agriculture, says that a much better root system will be developed if you suit the pot to the size of the plant.

When potting, leave one-half inch of space between the top of the soil and the rim of the pot for watering, and when planting be sure to press the soil firmly with the fingers. A test recommended by Mr. McCalla to find out if the plant is well potted is to pull a leaf from it. If the plant is not dislodged under this treatment you can be satisfied that the planting has been done correctly.

Old pots should be thoroughly cleaned before using. New pots should be soaked and allowed to absorb all the moisture they will, but let them dry to some extent before the actual planting operation. A saucer should be provided for each pot, and if the saucer contains small pebbles, coarse sand or sphagnum moss, the excess moisture will seep from the pot instead of lying about the

roots of the plant. As the water evaporates, it helps to create the moist atmosphere that most plants need. A good soil for potted plants can be made up of half good garden loam, quarter well rotted leaf mold or fine humus, and quarter sand.

House plants may be kept blooming for weeks if faded flowers, seed pods and dead leaves are removed, and the plants are not placed in too sunny a position. All indoor plants require additional food during their active growing and flowering season. At three or four week intervals they should receive liquid food which can be made from a commercial fertilizer purchased in dry form and made up according to directions.

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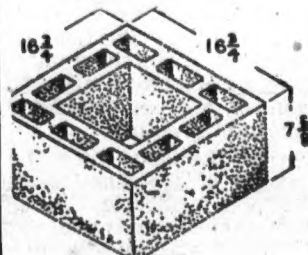
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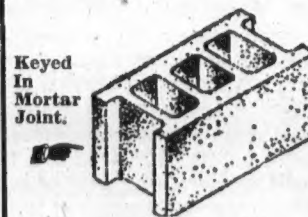
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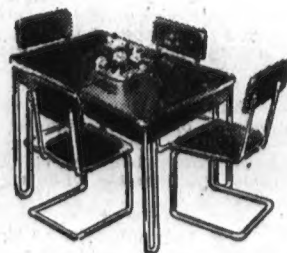
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## CONSIDER SQUIRRELS AND BE WISE

Variant theme of anti-Communist diatribes these days appears to be attacks on "the welfare state."

The Calgary Albertan, after remarking that the busy squirrel stored up nuts for the winter, pointed out that the animal did not live in a welfare state.

Neither does man live in a "free" state. What would occur if he went out and gathered his food like the squirrel and did not pay for it? The squirrel has no landlord asking him for rent of his hole in a hollow tree. And so on.

The analogy is ridiculous. People are entitled to their point-of-view, and either a competent exposition of their own opinion, or penetrating criticism of the position of those who differ, may help to clarify our own thinking in these days of conflicting ideologies which may have important bearing on the fate of all of us; but skim-milk comment like that about the squirrel, for the simple sake of having something critical to say, does not help, and is becoming far too common.

The best reply to it is the commodity the squirrel was gathering.

## SECRET OF A-BOMB DEFENCE

It hardly seems possible that the "boy wonder" president of Chicago University, Robert Maynard Hutchins, has now been in the position for 20 years. He was 30 years of age when he took over in 1929. Many things have occurred in the world since.

The first nuclear chain reaction took place in the west stands of Stagg Field. The field was named after a great Chicago football coach. Hutchins once said that there were two ways to have a great university. "It must have either a great football team or a great president." Football has disappeared from Chicago University.

At the same time the American press was marking two decades of Hutchins, it also paid tribute to Philosopher John Dewey, a member of Chicago faculty. Dewey's pragmatism has been said to be typical of 20th century philosophy. Whether Hutchins' preference for the classics, for ideas rather than facts, and the "great books" of the world, is the proper way to prepare youth for the atomic age is a matter of dispute. It is even open to question whether Dewey would fully approve.

But some indication of what that atomic age may involve in the way of problems was given by Hutchins' real boss on the atomic energy research which led to the A-bomb. Vannevar Bush was head of all atom projects as director of the Office of Scientific Research and Development.

He has written a book ("Modern Arms and Free Men") in which he tries to answer the question: Could civilization survive an atom bomb war? Mr. Bush says such a war would not be as disastrous as the pessimists predict nor yet as easy as some of the optimists would like to believe.

"A new great war would not end the progress of civilization," he says, "even in the days of the riven atom, even with the threat of disease marshalled for conquest. It is even possible that defences may become tightened, not made absolute, but competent to halt the full flood of death from the air. As science goes forward, it distributes its uses both to those who destroy and to those who preserve."

Coincident with publication of Mr. Bush's book, the successful development of air-to-air rockets was announced. A radar device would direct it to the enemy and a proximity fuse would explode it at the proper lethal distance.

This was proclaimed as a defensive measure against the atom bomb. It does have this hopeful note at first until one realizes that atom bombs probably will not have to depend on aircraft as carriers but may be sent to fantastically distant targets at supersonic speed by rockets. If it is not now practical, scientists would certainly find a way to make it so during another war.

Talk of the relative destruction, even estimation of defence against the bomb seems to us to be academic. All war is horrible. The next one, at least everyone apparently agrees, will be infinitely worse than any in the past.

Neither Hutchins' classicism, Bush's scientific peek at the future, nor Dewey's design for living provide consolation in the atomic age. Another scientist who worked on the atom bomb, it seems to us, hit the nail on the head. J. Robert Oppenheimer, director of the Los Alamos atom bomb plant when the first A-bomb in history exploded in the New Mexican desert, was asked by an interviewer if there was any defence against the bomb.

"Certainly," he replied. He let a moment elapse before pronouncing the one word solution: "Peace".

Every accident prevented increases the national economy.

It takes a lot of patience to improve the human race and it also takes a lot of time.

The man who kills himself at his work is as foolish as the man who never works.

## Wide World Gleams

By L. H. J.

Anyone who wears out the seat of his pants before his shoes is making too many contacts in the wrong places.—CWNA "Bulletin".

Failure to put his sole into it may be the seat of the trouble.

Builders of soap boxes in Britain are looking forward to the forthcoming elections.

—Lethbridge Herald.

What about the makers of soft soap?

The best material for a new dress is a husband's story when he comes home late at night.

—Beverly Gray.

Particularly if he tries to skirt the issue.

There's a narrow margin between keeping your chin up and sticking your neck out.

—Calgary Herald.

Not if you remember your head is on top—and keep it there.

We know the reason it is called "cold" cash. We never have it long enough for it to warm up.

Women are said to control 80 per cent of our wealth. Presumably the other 20 per cent is owned by bachelors.

"And now it is time to check up on the snow shovel!"—Edmonton Journal.

You may expect a call any day now, neighbor.

## Man Bites Dogs!

Chester Salvatore, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, remarked to his friends that he could eat sixty hot dogs at one sitting. His skeptical friends told Salvatore that if he could eat sixty hot dogs they would pay for them. However, if Salvatore fell short of the required sixty, then he would have to pay for those he had eaten.

An ambulance stood by while Salvatore ate thirty-two hot dogs. The elapsed time was one hour and ten minutes. Unable to consume more, Salvatore got up and placed \$6.40 on the counter.

"It was the bread that licked me," said Salvatore dismally as he walked away.

—C. G. R.

## Modesty Not Violated

A Meriden, Connecticut, couple were divorced in 1937 after having been married for 25 years. A year later, they decided to remarry. They obtained a marriage license and resumed life as husband and wife without benefit of ceremony.

Appearing in Superior Court on a second divorce petition recently, the woman was told she had not been legally married a second time merely because a marriage certificate was issued.

"The parties," said the judge, "can be forgiven for their moral lapse because of their honest mistake and the certainty that their association has left no lasting scars of permanent regret. Having previously been married to each other it is probable that no modesty was violated."

—Sando Bologna.

## McMurray Wants a Way Out

For those who don't know — when you visit McMurray and Waterways there are just two directions. One is in—the other is out.

Residents of the twin villages, which are now one town, can buy a car or truck, but like an island in mid-Pacific, they've no place to go. At least there are lots of places they'd like to go, but no way to get there. They want a way out — a highway, in other words.

## NO REPRESENTATIVE

The way things are now, it looks as though McMurray has no representation in the Provincial Government.

owing to the provision for a separate constituency after the next election. Lowry O'Cooley, Chamber of Commerce executive, travelled to Lac la Biche to see Social Credit members of Beaver River and Athabasca.

It seems that though Mr. Lobay is now M.L.A. for the district, as it will be when the new constituency is formed, he isn't now. On the other hand, Gordon Lee is member for the old constituency of Athabasca but won't be running for election next time and feels the responsibility for getting a highway through to McMurray is not and will not be his.

McMurray and Waterways people are, therefore, left without representation and talk loudly of getting someone from their town into the legislature next time. They figure that's the only way

their demands for a highway will be met.

And they may be right.

## HIGHWAY PARTLY BUILT

With possibilities for one of the most beautiful stretches of road in Alberta—along the river from Wandering River via Pelican Rapids is already partly built. A rough winter road has been put in by the Bear Oil Company. Now the McMurray Chamber of Commerce want the Provincial Government to complete the work and hook up the community with the "outside" via Wandering River.

## SMALL POPULATION

Undoubtedly the objection of the government to putting the highway through there (although they don't tell anybody) is because of the lack of population. L. Burrill, manager of the salt plant and president of the Chamber of Commerce, claims there would be good stretches of farm land opened up to agriculture if the highway were built, and more population would come in to be served.

Just the same, McMurray may wait a long time. There are over 50 government members in the legislature, each with his own communities' needs to satisfy first with spending of government funds. And an area without representation isn't likely to get much attention.

## AERIAL SURVEY

One good thing the government plans on doing is to complete aerial surveys of the district. When this is done it will be easy to see where the best prospects for agriculture are and where the best route will be for a highway. That should come first.

Then, it is also certain that McMurray won't let the grass grow under their feet in getting representation in the next election.

## Scriptural Meditations By Ainsley Blair

"When Christ took human nature upon Him, he bound humanity to Himself by a tie of love that can never be broken by any power save the choice of man himself. Satan will constantly present allurements to induce us to break this tie—to choose to separate ourselves from Christ.

"Here is where we need to watch, to strive, to pray, that nothing may entice us to choose another master; for we are always free to do this. But let us keep our eyes fixed upon Christ, and He will preserve us.

"Looking unto Jesus, we are safe. Nothing can pluck us out of His hand. In constantly beholding Him, we are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." 2 Cor. 3:19.

—Steps to Christ."

## "Diplomas" for Wives

A novel idea, but one which should be widely approved, will give to the wives of 178 married seniors at Lehigh University, certificates of recognition at the commencement exercises of that institution.

John A. Nere, a senior, who ser-

ved in World War II, and is the father of a six-week-old daughter, expressed the idea that his wife, Anne, and other veterans' wives, should be honored for assisting their husbands in completing their educations.

Accordingly, at the commencement of the university, scheduled for June 20th, the wives will receive certificates, expressing gratitude to them as loyal wives, who "with devotion and understanding, encouraged" their husbands "in the successful completion" of the college course.

We think this recognition is well deserved. The general comment from many educators is that the veterans have made excellent students, giving serious attention to their work and this would have been impossible without the co-operation, encouragement and sacrifice of their wives.

## Notes and Comment

Maybe, after all, the so-called backward nations, with a majority vote, will tell the advanced nations what they can do.

The trouble with the new weapons against the bugs that afflict mankind is that the bugs seem to be unconvinced.

Financiers who find the national debt a great barrier to governmental spending do not think it should interfere with tax reduction.

A reading of magazines articles about various individuals, indicates that the radio-technique is affecting the authors of the blurbs.

The average business man stays out of politics, because of the fear that business might be lost, and then grumbles about what the politicians are doing.

It might be a good idea to establish, once and for all, that money contributed to a campaign fund, is not complete justification for appointment to high position.

Personally, we have a high opinion of the intelligence of modern girls but it wavers a bit sometimes when we see the men they stand beside when they say, "I do."

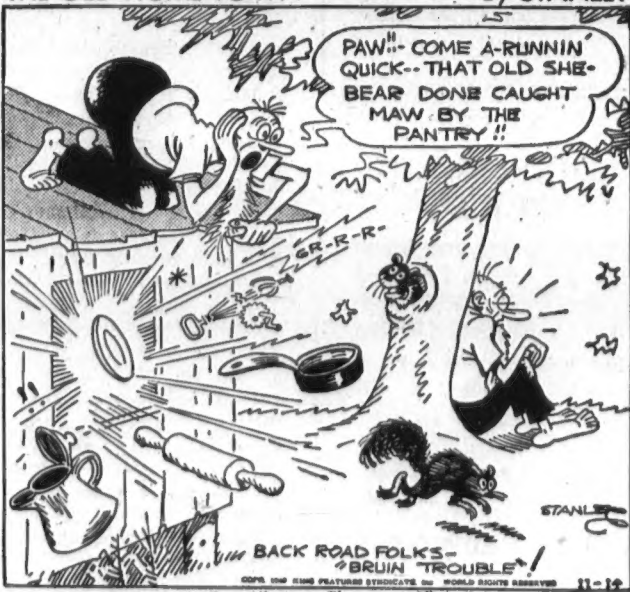
It is very difficult, at times, to know what a man thinks by what he says.

Money may not explain everything but it makes clear the motives of many people.

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Drumheller Fair  
Board Off To  
Good Start

William D. Macdonald, widely known farmer of Grainger district was elected president of the Drumheller and District Agricultural Society at the third annual meeting held at Drumheller Saturday. He will succeed A. C. B. Grenville, the president since its inception. C. H. Borwick, P. J. Rock and George Carter were named vice-presidents. W. H. Acton was unanimously elected treasurer.

Directors are composed of, the reeves of the three municipalities and the mayor of Drumheller, all ex-officio officers. Elected were C. Webb, Acme; M. Schmaltz, Beiseker; L. Andrews, Pope Lease; R. J. Hodgson, Rowley; Glen Jones, Trochu; W. H. Acton, Drumheller; E. O. Parry, Morrin; W. Schowalter, Rumsey; L. W. Comstock, A. C. B. Grenville, Morrin; C. Jensen, Three Hills; N. F. Bell, Drumheller; J. Cramer, Michichi; R. C. Haymond, Drumheller; Mrs. E. Andrews, Mrs. A. Deboer, Mrs. N. Gilbert, Mrs. Pat Brown and Mrs. C. Borwick, all of Drumheller district.

It was a banner meeting for the society with every corner of the district represented, in the 4,000-square-mile area.

A motion to increase the membership fee from a dollar to two dollars was defeated. The gathering felt that membership was more important than dollars, and advocated an all district drive to increase membership.

Mrs. N. F. Bell, chairman of the horticultural committee had laid the foundation for additional garden clubs. She reported on the Red Deer Valley Garden Club and show at Rumsey as being another success. This club is affiliated with the Drumheller District Horticultural Society, and it is hoped that other clubs will reach the high standards of this top rate show.

E. O. Parry, chairman of the tiller match committee reported on the success of this project. Matches held at Three Hills and Morrin drew crowds of 5,000. These are to be continued.

P. J. Rock, chairman of health of animals committee, stated the

## ODDS ON SPORT

By L. H. J.

Competitive sport is for the young. Yet Joe McGinnity was very active as pitcher and manager in the minor leagues at the age of 50 years; Luke Appling is over 40 and still going strong with the White Sox; and Donald Finlay, who has represented Great Britain in three Olympic Games, this year set a mark of 14.4 seconds, a U.K. record, in the 120-yard hurdles. Many more examples could be cited of men past their so-called sports prime who can still keep up with the youngsters. In nearly

agricultural society was instrumental in having an accredited veterinarian located at Drumheller and an active program to control Bangs disease has been undertaken and also establishment of T.B. restricted area in municipal district of Knee Hill.

Henry F. Irwin, secretary of the association, in his report said a broader and more comprehensive Agricultural Societies Act has given fresh impetus to the activities of agricultural societies.

The Drumheller District Agricultural Society took full advantage of its greater opportunities during 1949. In addition to the Drumheller calf show and sale the society was co-sponsor with the department of agriculture of a second show at Three Hills and Sunnyslope clubs who brought their club champions to compete for the district grand championship at Drumheller, the fourth annual show, and to sell with Craigmyle, Hanna, Livingstone, Majestic, Morrin, Rosebud and Rumsey-Rowley clubs.

The society also sponsored a venture for the junior clubs, new to this district, assisting with rallies at Carbon and at Robb's Ranch and Fish Lake. These were well attended and enthusiastically commended.

The major activities to conclude the year's work of agricultural societies are the seed fairs at Delia, Acme, Trochu and Drumheller and sponsoring five district banquets at Carbon, Three Hills, Delia, Morrin and Drumheller.

all sports, the first part of the body to slacken is legs.

Calgary puck chasers appear to be slipping. Same applies to Toronto Maple Leafs. Wonder how they'll do in the play-offs? That's what really counts. Many a hockey team which has finished first in league play would be inclined to add, probably too much so. We will at least give you odds both teams do finish in the play-offs.

Threatened with extinction some years ago, antelope are now fairly plentiful in North America. Good conservation measures have resulted in an amazing come back.

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15. Exchanges	12. Abrade	37. Sacred
16. Registered	15. Male	picture
Nurse	descendants	(Russ. Ch.)
(abbr.)	18. Sun god	39. Witch of
17. Malayan	20. Ancient	thunder
boat		
19. A particle		
22. A joyous		
hymn		
26. Farinaceous		
meal		
28. Cut, as		
whiskers		
29. Church		
officers		
31. Month		
(Heb.)		
32. Measures		
(Heb.)		
34. Chinese		
measure		
35. Full of spines		
38. Around		
41. Walk back		
and forth		
42. The climbing		
fish		
43. God of love		
44. Opposed		
to credit		
45. Lairs		
46. Rub out		
<b>DOWN</b>		
1. Of a parent		

## Hatchability of Eggs Averaging 70 Per Cent

Hatchability of total eggs set in approved hatcheries has averaged in the vicinity of 70 per cent in recent years.

As a breed, Barred Plymouth Rock are usually about average in respect to hatchability when compared with other breeds. Nutrition, incubation and methods of handling and storing the eggs all affect the percentage of fertile eggs which will hatch, and all are largely under the control of the flock owner and hatchery operator. The presence of lethal hereditary factors in some birds may be another cause of the failure of some eggs to hatch.

son. Acheson, Hanna, Kirkpatrick and Mannville commemorate railway officials of the turn of the century when agriculture, largely through the expanding services of the rail lines, was becoming well-established. The present era of industrial expansion also is leaving its mark on the place names of Alberta. Devon, the town that oil built, is probably the best example to date. Where, early in 1947 nothing but rolling fields met the eye, there now stands an ultra-modern town the building of which is an assertion of faith in Alberta as an industrial locale; particularly insofar as petroleum production is concerned.

A number of Alberta centres bear the names of former prominent citizens and even today we find new places being named after leading provincial figures. For instance Manning post office in northern Alberta was named after the Hon. E. C. Manning, premier of Alberta.

Many Albertans have commented on the fact that there is a definite paucity of Indian names in the province. This is true and the shortage has been attributed to the comparatively late period at which the Indians, particularly the Stonies, Crees and Blackfeet, pushed their way into the foothill country. These tribes were essentially prairie people and only retreated to the mountainous country as the advance of the white men made their customary way of living incompatible.

What Indian names the province does bear have in most cases been preserved in translation. Whether in the original tongue or in translation, however, they are found to refer to physical characteristics of the features named, to incidents of peace and war or to personal associations with a region. Athabasca is Cree for "the place of reeds" and Etzikom is Blackfoot for "valley." Battle River and Peace River mark localities where battles were fought and peace was made. Beaver Hills and Buffalo Lake commemorate where these animals were hunted and trapped.

We owe the principal Indian names to the early explorers. The Palliser, and later expeditions, preserved many that might otherwise have been forgotten.

Alberta has thousands of place names acquired during the past 200 years and at present many more places are being named each year. Today, places are being named after war heroes and other prominent figures. In most instances the Geographic Board of Alberta has jurisdiction over the naming of these places and it is likely that closer liaison with the Canadian Board on Geographical Names and the Post Office Department will, in future, prevent any discord such as arose when Castle Mountain was renamed Mount Eisenhower, without consulting the Alberta Board.

It is apparent that per cent fertility plays an important part in the percentage of total eggs which will hatch. About 90 per cent or more of all matching eggs produced are expected to be fertile, but low fertility in some flocks is a serious economic problem.

In searching for the cause of low fertility, nutrition of the flock during growth as well as at maturity should be examined to see if it is satisfactory for the development of vigorous birds. Good range conditions and proper housing facilities in the breeding pens are also conducive to high fertility.

At the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, N.B., says Leonard Griesbach, fertility tests indicate that extremely early maturing males are likely to be small and should therefore be discarded. Only vigorous males which show good comb development and other well developed male characteristics when not more than six months of age, should be selected.

These tests also indicate that in flocks where fertility has become a problem, the introduction of new blood may be desirable. This action is more likely to be necessary in small flocks than in large ones where there are great opportunities for suitable selection.

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## How Did Your Town Get Its Place Name?

How did—and do—localities in Alberta get their names?

Well, in the past they came from many sources, but today the responsibility of choice rests largely with the Geographic Board of Alberta.

The chief function of the board, established Feb. 6, 1946, is to deal with all questions relating to geographical names within the province.

Work includes such things as the simplification of names, choosing between various spellings of the same name and selecting new names. In addition, it is the board's object to compile the most extensive and accurate body of information possible on the place names of Alberta. The latter consists chiefly of obtaining and recording information on places already named and adding to this details concerning newly-named places.

Members of the board are: Morden H. Long, M.A., professor of history, University of Alberta; Duncan R. Innes, M.A.; John H. Holloway, director of surveys, Department of Public Works; and Mrs. Edith H. Gostick, provincial librarian. Prof. Long, chairman of the board, also is a member of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. Mrs. Gostick is secretary of the board.

It would appear from this that the work of the board should be a fairly routine, or cut-and-dried, job. This is not the case. In the past a number of agencies have

been active in determining place names within the province. Among these are the Canadian Board on Geographical Names, Post Office Department, railway and other companies, irrigation districts and even private individuals. Consequently a lack of co-ordination has led to a great deal of confusion which the board must do what it can to amend and, in future, prevent.

Close liaison with these other agencies, particularly the Geographic Board of Canada, is essential and although the Alberta board has been in existence only a short time its members have been impressed with the present high degree of co-operation. It is hoped that as time passes, any obstacles which at present arise to hinder co-operation will be eliminated.

Just how the name of a long-established town in northern Alberta should or should not be spelled presented the board with what was probably its most controversial issue. Athabasca to the town council and the Government of Alberta was "Athabaska" to the Canadian Board on Geographical Names and the Northern Alberta Railway Company. Reasoning that the "k" spelling conformed with the general rules for orthography, the dominion body spelling it that way and the railway company backed them up. Recently full agreement was obtained from all concerned and the accepted official spelling now is Athabasca.

Alberta's history falls into five categories, the time of the explorers, the days of the whiskey traders, the golden age of the cattle barons, the era of farm development and the present period of wide industrial expansion. To each of these periods the province is indebted for a vast number of place names.

From the days of the intrepid explorers come such names as Palliser Range, Mount Brazeau and Mount Hector. To the early fur traders goes credit for Rocky Mountain House, Jasper and Edmonton. The memory of ranching days is preserved by Stavely, Cochrane, De Winton and Stim-

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## Alberta Farm Business Survey

Information of value to the continuing development of agriculture on the prairies is contained in a survey of farm business in Central Alberta recently published by the Economics Division, Marketing Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with the Department of Political Economy, University of Alberta.

The survey, covering the fiscal year 1943-44, embraced a total of

318 farms in three districts in Central Alberta—Innisfail in the black soil zone, Drumheller and Gadsby in the dark brown soil zone.

Begun in June, 1944, the survey was part of larger enquiry into the economic and social problems associated with the utilization of the land in the Prairie Provinces which was initiated in 1935 with the passing of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act.

The western boundary of the region defined as the drought area for the operation of the PFRA Act cuts through Central Alberta. To gain comparative pictures of conditions affecting farm income within and without the drought area, the districts chosen for the survey were located on that western boundary, two within and one outside.

In the Innisfail district—the one outside—three-fifths of the farms were of the livestock type. In Drumheller more than three-fifths of the farms were grain type farms. In Gadsby about three-fifths were mixed grain and livestock, and one-fifth were grain, one-fifth were livestock type.

In size, the farms studied averaged 348 acres in Innisfail, with 64 per cent improved; 685 acres in Drumheller, 76 per cent improved; 586 acres in Gadsby, 56 per cent improved. The average value per improved acre was, respectively: \$41, \$36, \$19.

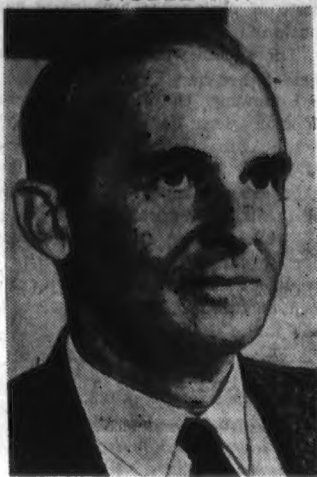
Average capital of the 318 farms worked out to more than \$18,000, made up of \$11,000 in real estate, \$3,000 in machinery and equipment, \$2,300 in livestock, and the balance in seed, feed and other farm supplies. Grain farms carried the highest average investment, nearly \$24,000.

The livestock type of farming in the Innisfail district, mainly hogs and dairying, was considered as semi-intensive when compared with the more extensive type of enterprise in the Gadsby district where beef cattle raising was more common. Hogs were the main class of livestock on the Drumheller mixed type farms, and during the year of the survey were common to the grain farms as well. Wheat occupied the largest acreage on the grain farms, oats on the mixed and livestock farms.

Averaged for all types studied, gross receipts from livestock and livestock products were about the same as from direct sales of grain. Labor earnings were nearly \$1,100 per farm.

During the year of the survey, crop yields were only two-thirds of

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Canadian-born Dr. William F. Glaue, professor of chemistry at the University of California, has been awarded the 1949 Nobel prize for chemistry. He devotes all his spare time to his study of entropies. It is for his work in this highly specialized field that he won the prize. The entropy of a compound determines whether a chemical reaction can take place. His entropy calculation method is employed in chemical process designing and, enables users to determine in advance if contemplated expensive projects will actually work. He's 54, a native of Niagara Falls Ont.

normal in the Innisfail district, approximately normal in Drumheller and considerably above normal in the Gadsby district.

As a result, the surplus earning above operating, capital maintenance and family cash living expenses averaged less for Innisfail farms than for farms in the other two districts. Only for the Innisfail livestock farms was the average surplus greater than that of the Gadsby farms. Drumheller grain farms had the largest surplus.

But the economists concluded that with the same farm organization as operated in 1943-44, based on long-time average yields, prices and costs, as large surplus earnings could be expected from a half-section farm in Innisfail as from a whole section farm in Gadsby. On average-sized farms, surplus earnings from Drumheller farms could be expected to range the highest.

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### Shower For Miss Phyllis Massey

CROSSFIELD. — On Friday, Nov. 25 at the Baptist Church, a shower was held in honor of Miss Phyllis Massey, whose wedding will take place in Calgary on Saturday, Dec. 3.

After a short program, Judy MacDonald and Rosy Fredell, dressed as bride and groom, entered pulling a wagon on which was mounted a miniature house filled with gifts.

Jean and Doris Massey and Mrs. Nick Peters assisted Phyllis and Melvin in opening the many lovely and useful gifts.

The bride- and groom-to-be thanked the guests for the gifts after which a lunch was served.

### Shower For Pat Bottomley

CROSSFIELD. — More than 100 guests assembled in the United Church parlor of Crossfield on Wednesday, Nov. 23, at 8:30 p.m. when Miss Pat Bottomley was honored at a miscellaneous shower.

Gay pink and white streamers and white wedding bells floated over the chair of the bride-elect. Little Lorna Bland and Jackie Baxter drew in the traditional "Dream Boat" which needless to say had to weather the seas on many voyages before its cargo of precious gifts were exhausted.

Pat was assisted by Mrs. M. Fox and Mrs. G. Fleming in the opening of her gifts, after which she graciously voiced her appreciative thanks to the numerous hostesses for their kindness on her behalf, and to all those present.

At a lace covered table centred with spray 'mums and flanked with tall pink tapers, graced with silver service, the mothers of the bride and groom, Mrs. Bottomley and Mrs. Lilley respectively, assumed the honors at the tea urns.

The hostesses for the occasion

### Crossfield Man Weds At Vulcan

CROSSFIELD. — A quiet wedding was solemnized in the United Church Manse at Vulcan Sunday, Nov. 6, when Marjorie Frances Love, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Love of Vulcan, was given in marriage by her father to Robert Douglas McCaskill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. McCaskill of Calgary. The ceremony was performed by Rev. O. Rollis.

The bride chose for her wedding an afternoon frock of midnight blue faille, with grey accessories and a corsage of gardenias and red roses.

Her attendant, Miss Beth Gib-

were Mrs. G. O'Neill, convener; Mesdames Edlund, Nettie May and Marjory Fox, Aldred, Borbridge, Ruddy, Bailey, Marget and Nellie Wigle and Mrs. Jean Stevens. A very delicious lunch was served and thoroughly enjoyed.

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son, wore a pearl grey wool frock, with black accessories and a corsage of pink roses and white carnations.

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Following the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home for immediate relatives. Mrs. J. Jackart, sister of the groom, and Mrs. J. A. Love, aunt of the bride, assisted in serving.

For travelling the bride topped her wedding ensemble with a mouton coat. On their return from a honeymoon the young couple will make their home in Calgary.

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